

Assembly Bill No. 16

CHAPTER 413

An act to add Section 185036.1 to the Public Utilities Code, relating to high-speed rail.

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AB 16, Perea. High-Speed Rail Authority.

Existing law creates the High-Speed Rail Authority with specified powers and duties relating to the development and implementation of an intercity high-speed rail system. Existing law, pursuant to the Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century, authorizes \$9.95 billion in general obligation bonds for high-speed rail development and other related purposes. The federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) provides funding for allocation nationally to high-speed rail projects.

This bill would require the authority to make every effort to purchase high-speed train rolling stock and related equipment that are manufactured in California, consistent with federal and state laws. This bill would also state that it does not create a private right of action in any civil litigation.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 185036.1 is added to the Public Utilities Code, to read:

185036.1. (a) The authority shall make every effort to purchase high-speed train rolling stock and related equipment that are manufactured in California, as defined in subdivision (b), consistent with federal law and any other applicable provision of state law.

(b) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) "Manufactured in California" means that the rolling stock and related equipment are manufactured in whole or in substantial part within California or that the majority of the component parts of the rolling stock and related equipment were manufactured in whole or in substantial part in California.

(2) "Manufactured" means an activity of converting or conditioning property by changing the form, composition, quality, or character of the property for ultimate sale at retail or use in the manufacturing of a product to be ultimately sold at retail.

(c) Nothing in this section creates a private right of action in any civil litigation.

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